

Application No. 10/730,394

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently amended) A hair brushing appliance comprising:
  - a housing,
  - a motor located within the housing,
  - a brush extending from the housing,
- a transmission relaying output torque torques of the motor to the brush, and

a slippage mechanism associated with the transmission to allow the motor to turn, should the roller step turning in use as said brush is stopped turning in use, said slippage mechanism further comprising a clutch associated with gears in a gearbox, said clutch comprising a plurality of profiled intermeshing teeth and a spring biasing the profiled intermeshing teeth into engagement with one another, and wherein force applied by the spring upon the clutch defines a preset torque transmission limit of the gearbox.

- 2. (Currently amended) The appliance of Claim 1 further comprising a heater and a fan blowing air across the heater to the roller brush.
- 3. (Canceled)

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- 4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Currently amended) The appliance of Claim 4 Claim 1 wherein the clutch is formed integrally with a gear of the gearbox.